

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Bob Lake, on January 22, 2007 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bob Lake, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Jon Sonju, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Edward Hilbert (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch
Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only.

They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 258, 1/15/2007; HB 307,
1/17/2007

HEARING ON HB 307

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:01 Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D), HD 49, opened the hearing on
HB 307, Renter property tax refund.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:00 Denver Henderson, ASUM Lobbyist, University of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

00:08:14 Jim Bjelland, Jr., Farmer, Conrad, Montana

Informational Testimony:

00:09:43 Margaret Kauska, Montana Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:13 Rep. Grinde
00:11:00 Rep. Sonju
00:12:34 Margaret Kauska
00:14:16 Rep. Ross
00:15:44 Rep. MacLaren
00:17:07 Jeff Martin, Legislative Services Division
00:17:31 Rep. Erickson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:20:21 Rep. Kendall Van Dyk

HEARING ON HB 258

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:21:40 Rep. Michele Reinhart (D), HD 97, opened the hearing on
HB 258, Create tax incentive for recycling.

EXHIBIT(tah14a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:24:45 Tyler Evilsizer, Board of Directors, S.A.V.E.
Foundation

EXHIBIT(tah14a02)

00:28:48 Matthew Elsaesser, S.A.V.E. Foundation, also speaking
for Palmer Electronic Technology Energy Services, Inc.,
Missoula

EXHIBIT(tah14a03)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:30:26 Shona McHugh, Montana Department of Revenue

EXHIBIT(tah14a04)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:00 Rep. Lambert
00:35:44 Rep. Grinde
00:37:11 Rep. Sonju
00:41:28 Rep. Erickson
00:43:13 Rep. Lambert
00:43:46 Rep. Jopek
00:47:53 Rep. Cohenour
00:49:46 Rep. Sonju
00:50:52 Rep. Grinde

Closing by Sponsor:

00:51:51 Rep. Michele Reinhart

ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS:

Information pertaining to HB 40 heard on January 19, 2007.

EXHIBIT(tah14a05)

Information pertaining to HB 220 heard on January 17, 2007.

EXHIBIT(tah14a06)

Information pertaining to HB 270 heard on January 19, 2007.

EXHIBIT(tah14a07)

Information pertaining to HB 216 heard on January 18, 2007.

EXHIBIT(tah14a08)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:00 A.M.

REP. BOB LAKE, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([tah14aad.pdf](#))